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WOULD STOP SALE OF THE ALMEDA

Stockholders Seek Injunction in Federal Court to Prevent Disposition by the Receiver of Josephine Mine

Portland, July 6.—Federal Judge Bean today set July 10 as the date for hearing an application for an injunction to prevent Thomas S. Burley, receiver for the Almeda Consolidated Mines company, from selling any of the corporation's property.

Linus M. Clark and Louise Estrella Clark, of Seattle, owners of 16,000 shares of stock, ask for the injunction, charging that there is an "apparent attempt on the part of the receiver and his co-workers to discredit and finally wreck the mining company so as to freeze out all small stockholders."

The Almeda mines are 30 miles from Grants Pass, in Josephine county, Oregon. The Clark complaint places the value of the mining property at \$6,000,000. It declares Burley proposes to sell the entire property at receiver's sale to satisfy indebtedness of approximately \$250,000.

CONTEST OVER GREEN MILLIONS

New York, July 6.—Colonel E. H. R. Green, son of the late Hetty Green and, with his sister, heir to the millions of the "richest woman in the world," expects a contest over \$1,500,000 of the estate left by his mother.

And 17,000 persons will be interested in it.

Returning today from his mother's funeral, Green declared the contest will be of "gigantic proportions." Neither he nor his sister is interested, however, he said. The contest will be for the sum of \$1,500,000, left by Gideon Howland, who died in 1823, Green said. Howland was the father of a cousin of Hetty Green. On the death of the cousin, Sylvia Howland, the money was left to Mrs. Green, to revert to the Howland heirs when she died.

"There are now 17,000 heirs of old Gideon," said Green, "and all want a part of the \$1,500,000. The family had children by swarms. Old Gideon himself had 13 children, and every one of these 13 raised a big family. It was an army of descendants in no time."

PRODUCTION OF CATTLE EXPECTED TO INCREASE

Washington, July 6.—Cattle production in the far west should increase in the next few years, the agricultural department stated today. It looks for increased efficiency to more than offset the lessening of the free ranges.

POSITIVELY IDENTIFY JOHN AUSTIN HOOPER

Portland, July 6.—It is positively established that Wilbur Mason, held in Joplin, Missouri, charged with murder, is John Austin Hooper. On June 3, Mason killed Policeman Wells of Joplin, who was trying to arrest him. Mason, or Hooper, has made a complete confession. The trial is set for July 10. This information is contained in a letter from the chief of police of Joplin.

BODIES OF DEAD SOLDIERS ARE RETURNED TO U.S.

El Paso, July 6.—Dug up from shallow graves at the scene of the Carrizal fight, the bodies of Captain Boyd, Lieutenant Adair and seven negro troopers were brought back to El Paso today by a commission of five Americans sent into Mexico for that purpose.

Scores who thronged the international bridge to do honor to the Carrizal heroes did not know that a switch engine which had crossed to the American side from Juarez, hauling an old box car, was bringing the remains "home."

The nine caskets were placed in the freight car by the Carranzista military authorities in Juarez and the car was sealed to prevent any demonstration. On the American side the caskets were placed aboard motor trucks and each draped with the national colors. Later a detachment of the Eighth cavalry was to escort the trucks to an undertaker's parlor to be prepared for burial.

The commission which returned with the bodies reported anti-American feeling in the Carrizal district still very bitter. The commander there would not allow the American dead to be brought into Carrizal. Carranza troops accompanied the bodies to the border. Fourteen American troopers are still unaccounted for. The bodies of Boyd, Adair and several of the troopers will be shipped to their homes for burial. Those unclaimed probably will be interred in Arlington cemetery, Washington, D. C.

El Paso, July 6.—The American dead recovered from the Carrizal battlefield show evidence of having been badly mutilated. Viewed at the undertaking rooms here this afternoon the heads of several of the unidentified negro cavalrymen are torn away as if the "mercy shot" had been given with a revolver held a few feet in front of their faces.

Several bodies were found full of bullet holes. The bodies were found in one grave by the American commission. The Carranza guides, some of whom had participated in the Carrizal fight, sang the praises of the colored troops' bravery.

HUNGRY MEXICANS WELCOME GRINGOES

Field Headquarters American Expedition in Mexico, July 5.—(By Radio to Columbus, N. M., July 6).—Starving women at San Luis Potosi, in a riot when refused food, cried "May God send the gringos," stated reports reaching General Pershing's headquarters today. Several women were severely beaten by soldiers who quelled the outbreak.

Reports of American gold being paid pawns for work and supplies for the punitive expedition in contrast with the virtual confiscation of foodstuffs by the forces of the de facto government has increased dissatisfaction among the Mexicans, according to the reports. The Carranzista troops were said to be overrunning the country, seizing everything of value for their own use or forcing in return the acceptance of depreciated fiat currency at a fifth of the property's value.

Lanes of gaunt women and children are being doled out corn in all the principal Mexican cities, it is reported. The supply gave out at San Luis Potosi recently and hundreds of women marched to the governor's palace, crying for food for their starving children. The governor told the mob that he had none. The women took up the cry "May God send the gringos" and refused to be silenced until beaten and cowed by the troops.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Snell left this morning for Salem after a few days in the city.

REBELS KILL AMERICAN SOLDIER

Force of San Domingo Revolutionists Routed, 27 Being Killed, U. S. Troops Losing 1 Dead 8 Wounded

Washington, July 6.—Routing 250 revolutionists, killing 27 and capturing five, the American forces advancing on Santiago, San Domingo, last Saturday suffered casualties of one killed, one seriously wounded and seven slightly hurt.

The dead American was George Frazee. The Americans under Colonel Pemberton engaged the rebels at Guayacan.

Frazee's home was Canon City, Colo. Private J. E. Daley, Bookersville, Ky., was the seriously wounded man. Those slightly wounded were: R. D. Putnam, Jefferson, Va.; Corporal Oscar Johnson, LaCrosse, Wis.; Corporal J. A. Glowin, Detroit, Mich.; Drummer G. E. Merriweather, Louisville, Ky.; Private W. F. Johnson, Shelby, Mich.; Private C. Oates, Seattle; Private C. Haines, Minneapolis.

The rebels were entrenched in a strong concealed position and this prevented the Americans from using their artillery in the advance. The enemy outposts opened fire, but the Americans, though taken by surprise, made a sharp attack, soon driving out the Dominicans in disorder. The number of rebel wounded could not be ascertained.

FATHER OF CARRIZAL HERO PASSES AWAY

Portland, July 6.—Samuel D. Adair, father of Lieutenant Henry R. Adair, who was killed at Carrizal, died late last night without learning of his son's fate. He was so ill when the news was received here that physicians feared the shock would kill him if he were told.

AUSTRIAN ARMY LOSES HALF MILLION MEN DURING SLAV DRIVE IN VOLHYNIA

Petrograd, July 6.—At least half a million of Austrian troops have been killed, captured or badly wounded since General Brusiloff began his sweep through Volhynia June 4. That number will be unavailable for the summer and fall campaigns of the central powers.

General Letchisky's advance in southeastern Galicia, after the capture of Kolomea, has been so rapid that his army not only menaces the important cities of Stanislaw and Lemberg, but the whole of eastern Galicia. The right wing of the Austro-German army is under heavy pressure.

The Austrians are staggering back along the muddy valleys of the Pruth and Dneister, abandoning great quantities of material. The roads in this region, always bad, have been converted into bogs by heavy rains. Pressing the disheartened Austrians are Russian soldiers in high spirits over their continued success and the allied victories in France.

The growing development of the operations lead to the belief that events are impending which will affect the struggle on the French and Italian fronts and probably the outcome of the Austro-Italian war in the Trentino. Along the entire front the Russians are feeling for weak spots.

The czar's capital is taking the news of the Russian successes sed-

U. S. TO DEAL DIRECT WITH MEXICO

Proposal of Carranza to Settle Differences Between Two Countries Without Mediation Is Accepted

Washington, July 6.—General Carranza's proposal for direct negotiation between the United States and Mexico for settlement of the Mexican problem was accepted this afternoon formally by Secretary of State Lansing.

He notified Arredondo at a conference this afternoon that the United States would not mediate, inasmuch as there has been no actual break between the two nations, but that the two governments will directly negotiate to reach a peaceful settlement of the troubles on the border.

Washington, July 6.—Out of the forthcoming negotiations between the United States and Mexico may arise a plan for rehabilitating Mexico, was indicated at the state department this afternoon.

Secretary Lansing frankly admitted this government is giving serious consideration to the basic conditions of Mexico's threatened disintegration through economic elements. Thus far the United States government has not invited American bankers to loan money to Mexico. Before it takes any such steps, this government must be satisfied that Carranza is in a position to stabilize conditions in his land so that a loan would be attractive to American financial interests, it was stated.

The impression left by Lansing was that the United States is now willing to encourage aid for Mexico if Carranza demonstrates a friendly spirit and ability to control Mexican affairs.

ately, showing no undue enthusiasm. The transfer of reinforcements southward in preparation for the present smash was the first sign here that the Paris military conference was beginning to bear fruit. The results of the allied decision are now beginning to show. Petrograd, watching with interest the Anglo-French offensive west, believes that the Germans are at last trapped and surrounded by deadly danger, being unable to shift troops from one front to the other because she is attacked on all sides.

Authorities here believe the German reserves remaining in the interior are insufficient to check the combined allied offensive since the lines are so long.

A Russian colonel furnished an illustration of the nature of the fighting in southeastern Galicia. Near Kolomea, he said, a Russian field battery charged through the mud, sabering and capturing an Austrian battery, an incident that occurs very seldom in modern warfare.

By special permission of the Russian government I was permitted to inspect armament works and several small arms factories. Apparently Russia has largely overcome her initial munition shortage. I saw scores of thousands feverishly at work making guns and ammunition. The number of passenger trains to the interior has been reduced in order to give the army an ample supply.

PARALYSIS IS KILLING NEW YORK BABES BY SCORE

New York, July 6.—New York's infantile paralysis epidemic today has spread to several nearby cities. In the meanwhile it showed greater virulence in the greater city itself, breaking all records for development. Cases were reported so fast through the night that the health bureau announced today compilations had not been completed to show exactly how many new victims there were, but the bureau estimated that the total since the start of the scourge was now above 600 cases.

The most sinister fact in connection with the epidemic is that the mortality from the disease far exceeds any previous reports in epidemics here or in other cities. Of the 600 cases at least 150 have been fatal—a 25 per cent ratio. The record for New York's most fatal previous attack of the child's disease—in 1907—was less than 20 per cent.

The health bureau today announced it would avail itself of that provision in the city charter which permits issuance of special bonds with which to defray the extraordinary expenses incurred in fighting the plague. What the experts now fear is that the epidemic will not spend itself for another month. Infantile paralysis, the records show, attains its greatest virulence in August's hot weather. An emergency call for nurses, additional physicians and volunteer sanitation workers was issued today.

The health department today forwarded all pastors of churches a request for the closing of Sunday schools and discontinuance of all picnic plans.

MANY IN MEXICO NEAR STARVATION

Eagle Pass, July 6.—At least 2,000,000 men, women and children in Mexico are on the verge of starvation, according to Jose F. Martinez, who arrived here today after traveling two months in the southern republic to prepare a report on conditions for New York interests.

"Conditions in nearly every part of Mexico are desperate," said Martinez. "The army has plenty of food, while the civilian population is destitute, and there is no relief in sight. Many thousand hungry men have enlisted rather than starve to death." Martinez said that Mexico is better prepared for war than is generally supposed, having accumulated millions of rounds of ammunition and large quantities of rifles during the last year.

While in Monterey Martinez had a narrow escape from death. He was given an hour to leave the city. He was lucky in catching a freight train for Saltillo, whence he made his way to Piedras Negras and Eagle Pass.

G. O. P. CHAIRMAN AND JOHN WANAMAKER CONFER

New York, July 6.—A conference between Republican National Chairman Willcox and John Wanamaker gave rise to guesses among politicians if Wanamaker was not being considered for treasurer of the national committee.

Chairman Willcox refused to comment upon the incident, and Wanamaker said there was nothing to it.

Chairman McCormick of the democratic national committee claimed today that a sufficient number of progressives will go over to the democratic ranks this fall to insure the reelection of President Wilson.

"The progressives are men of principle," McCormick declared. "I cannot conceive, for instance, of Gifford Pinchot and Dean Lewis of Pennsylvania, taking the platform with, and working with such men as Penrose and Vane."

PROGRESS IS STILL MADE BY ALLIES

Advance of French South of the River Somme and of British South of Thiepval Is Admitted by Germans

Berlin, July 6.—The German war office this afternoon officially admitted that the French have captured Belloy-en-San Terre, south of the river Somme, and that the Germans have also evacuated the village of Hem, on the north bank.

The war office also admitted the British made minor progress, obtaining a firm foothold in the salient south of Thiepval. Between the Ancre and the Somme, along the British front, the artillery fire was increased.

On the Verdun front enemy advances southwest of Fort Vaux have been repulsed.

London, July 6.—A further slight advance for the British in last night's fighting at Thiepval, northeast of Albert, was reported by General Haig this afternoon. The British took some prisoners.

South of the LaBassee canal the British made successful raids on enemy trenches after gas and smoke attacks.

Highland light infantry entered German trenches near Hulloch last night, capturing and killing many Germans.

ASHCROFT, ON CARIBOO TRAIL IS BURNED

Vancouver, B. C., July 6.—Fire which started yesterday evening in Ashcroft, one of the last old-time camps on the noted Cariboo trail, completely consumed the business section of the town, with a loss estimated at \$500,000, with no insurance.

The residence part of the town was saved.

COURTMARTIAL MILITIA OFFICERS

Boise, July 6.—Governor Alexander has asked President Wilson to courtmartial Colonel Wm. H. Edelblute and Majors Harry T. Lewis, Clement Wilkins and DeWitt C. Olsen on charges of conspiracy and insubordination, it was reliably stated today.

Immediately after this report leaked out, the officers of the Second Idaho regiment had a conference in an effort to adjust the political differences which are keeping the troops from entraining for the Mexican border.

The alleged conspiracy is the result of the institution of the proceedings in the state supreme court to prevent the mustering in of P. H. Crow, former adjutant-general, as lieutenant-colonel of the regiment. The suit was based on an Idaho statute providing for the promotion of officers in the national guard in cases of vacancies. Under this law, it was alleged Major Lewis was entitled to the office of lieutenant-colonel. The suit was brought just before the officers were mustered into the federal service. An injunction prohibiting Lieutenant Max Garber from mustering in Crow was demanded.

Washington, July 6.—Secretary of War Baker today instructed department commanders to discharge all militiamen throughout the country with dependent families, the war press bureau announced today.